

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: MASAHIRO HOSODA ET AL  
Serial No.: To Be Assigned Group Art Unit:  
Filed: Concurrent Herewith Examiner:  
Title: COMBINATION SEAL RING WITH ENCODER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows: